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VIA ELECTRONIC MAIL

Ms. Raji Josiam
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U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 6
1445 Ross Avenue
Dallas, Texas 75202

Re: January 2018 Bi-Monthly Progress Report
US Oil Recovery (USOR) Superfund Site
Area of Investigation 1 (AOI-1), Pasadena, Texas

Dear Ms. Josiam:

Pursuant to Section IX, Paragraph 44 of the Administrative Settlement Agreement and Order on Consent for Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study (Settlement Agreement) for the above-referenced Site, Pastor, Behling & Wheeler, LLC (PBW) has prepared this bi-monthly progress report on behalf of the Respondents named in the Settlement Agreement. In accordance with the Settlement Agreement requirements, this progress report addresses the topics listed below:

1. Actions which have been taken to comply with the Settlement Agreement during the preceding two-month period – During the preceding two-month period (November-December 2017), the Respondents performed additional work for the RI/FS in accordance with the RI/FS Work Plan, as follows:
 - Submitted revised Site-Specific Background Soil Concentrations Calculations Memorandum on November 9, 2017 to address EPA comments provided on a previous version of the memorandum;
 - Conducted a data review meeting with EPA and TCEQ representatives in Dallas, Texas on November 30, 2017 and provided to EPA electronic copies of the presentation materials, data tables and figures reviewed in the meeting shortly thereafter;
 - Received a letter from EPA dated December 21, 2017 indicating that the revised Site-Specific Background Soil Concentrations Calculations Memorandum submitted on November 9, 2017 had adequately addressed EPA comments;
 - Submitted Draft Workplan Refinement/Modification Notice No. AOI-1-6 (for work proposed to complete Iteration 1 activities) to EPA and TCEQ on December 12, 2017; and
 - Received EPA comments on Draft Workplan Refinement/Modification Notice No. AOI-1-6 on December 22, 2017.
2. Summary of quality-assured results of sampling, tests and all other quality-assured data received by Respondents during the preceding two-month period – No additional data were received by Respondents during the preceding two-month period. Therefore, the database version sent with the preceding bi-monthly report is still valid and the database is not included with this report.

3. Work planned for next two months with schedules relating such Work to the overall project schedule for RI/FS completion – The following work is planned for the next two months:
 - Submittal of Final Workplan Refinement/Modification Notice No. AOI-1-6 to address EPA comments provided on December 22, 2017 (was submitted on January 3, 2018 and approved by EPA on January 4, 2018); and
 - Implementation of Workplan Refinement/Modification Notice No. AOI-1-6 upon EPA approval.
4. Problems encountered, anticipated problems, actual or anticipated delays, and solutions developed and implemented to address any actual or anticipated problems or delays – No problems or delays were encountered during the preceding two-month period. No problems are anticipated.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this progress report. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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Project Coordinator

cc: Mr. Lam Tran – Texas Commission on Environmental Quality
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